

Babe Ruth Falls Down In Game  
With Griffs, Milan Misjudging

# The Times' Complete Sport Page

Fans Fail to Gain Entrance To  
Park So Great Was Gathering

## BABE RUTH FALLS DOWN AND DISAPPOINTS BUGS FIGHTING WAY TO PARK

By LOUIS A. DOUGHER.

More than fifteen thousand fans, fighting their way through the worst jam witnessed at the ball park in years in order to get within the enclosure, are today disappointed at the failure of Babe Ruth to live up to his advance notices. It seemed a wanton crime to compel them to battle their way through that awful mob only to see Babe fall down, Jim Shaw perform like a high school flogger, and the world's champions triumph by the one-sided score of 8 to 0. Up to date the Red Sox have not been scored on.

"Silent" Murphy, playing over at Poli's, might have received some wonderful practice, had he been in town in time to have attended that jam on Georgia avenue. It was announced that 14,650 folks paid their way into the yard. Deadheads sent the total well up above 15,000, while hundreds came as far as Florida avenue, took one peek at the mixed-up mess and went down town to the movies.

"Silent" Murphy is center on the Atwater College football team at Poli's. He gets wounded in one hoof during a game somewhere off stage and comes back before the footlights, limping, but with his hair un mussed. He must be some center. But had he tried his luck at Georgia avenue, he'd have waked up at the Emergency and would never have seen Poli's.

Today "Perduke" Fowler and Major Odea brought the right field wall back from T street and set it up where it was before Ruth was announced. Unless Babe does something today, they'll probably bring it in half way to the diamond. Nothing like encouraging these sluggers.

Zeb Milan believes in encouraging folks. He handed Babe a triple in the sixth inning yesterday. If he hadn't done so, the big fellow would have gone hitless, for he seemed unable to get hold of a ball to his liking. Indeed, Jim Shaw made him look foolish in the second, fanning him with a man on. It just didn't happen to be Babe's afternoon, that's all.

### Game Ends in First.

The World's Champions won in the first frame. After that the fans just sat back and waited. Only for the rules, they'd be waiting yet, but it is necessary to end things in nine innings, unless the score is tied, and so around 5:25 everybody got up and went away.

Hooper walked and Barry sacrificed. Strunk doubled down the left field foul line and wild-pitched Amos to third. Ruth bounded one to Judge, whose peg failed to get Strunk at the plate. Sam Rice galloped across lots and muffed McNinnis' fly close to the foul line in right.

Vitt sacrificed cleverly in front of the plate, and with two down, Scott bunted, catching the Washington infield soundly snoring. Ruth galloped across on that thing. Walters walked, but the slaughter stopped with Jones whiffing.

### Jim Shaw Vanishes.

Really, this little tale after that opening frame. The Griffins played as if in a trance. They were all handcuffed at the plate, except Joe Judge, who cracked Jones for a double and a triple in three times at bat.

The champions impressed the survivors of the battle at the gate as being truly champions. Their fielding was smooth, their hitting good enough to win any game, their shift of attack from hitting to bunting and back again pretty to see and their pitching all that could be desired. The difference between the two teams was marked.

If only Babe Ruth had done something—on, well. He bounded weakly to Judge in the first inning. He fanned ingloriously in the second with Barry on first base and two down. He lived on Janvryn's poor peg in the fifth, and forced Strunk in the eighth with a roller to Judge.

Only in the sixth did Ruth really get hold of the ball. Then he rallied a long fly that ordinarily would have been a nut for Zeb Milan, but the Tennessee flyer misjudged it is the sun and let it go over his head for three bases.

### Thompson Looks Well.

Harry Thompson, who relieved Ed Hoovik in the sixth, looked well. In fact, this southpaw may develop into a regular twirler with this Washington Club. He worked three and two-thirds innings, and but one scratch hit, a dinky roller by Scott to Davis, was made off his stuff.

The Griffis were helpless, that's the whole tale in four words. Judge doubled to open the tie, and then saw the next three strike out. That was the keynote of the tussle.

Rice and Shanks opened the seventh with hits, but Janvryn and Davis whiffed and Pichnich forced Hank Nuff out.

It was a fine day for baseball. A fine crowd turned out to see the sport, thousands of women being present, adding color to the scene with their Easter toggery. The stands were packed and jammed, even the aisles being occupied, while the fans leaned out upon the grass in right field and left field. It really was too bad that Babe fell down, for the gang was pulling for him to do something. Mebbe he'll do it today.

### THREE STARS IN RACE.

NEW YORK, April 28.—Jole Ray, Jack Sellers, and Homer Baker, ranking stars of the indoor track, will meet in a match race tonight at the Thirteenth Regiment Armory, Brooklyn, over the 1,000-yard route. The race, which is one of the most attractive indoor events ever scheduled in the greater city, will be the feature event of an athletic meet under the auspices of Company A of the Thirteenth regiment.

## Races Today

AT HAVRE DE GRACE  
RACES DAILY, including a steeplechase  
Special Pennsylvania Railroad Train  
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War Tax.  
FIRST RACE AT 2:30 P. M.

### Probable Line-ups In Today's Game

RED SOX. GRIFFMEN.  
Hooper, rf. Judge, lb.  
Shean, cf. Foster, 3b.  
Barry, 2b. Miller, cf.  
Strunk, cf. Rice, rf.  
Ruth, lf. Shanks, lf.  
McNinnis, lb. Janvryn, 2b.  
Vitt, 3b. Davis, ss.  
Scott, ss. Pichnich, c.  
Schang, c. Agnew, c.  
Walters, c. Johnson, p.  
Mays, p. Craft, p.  
Jennock, p. Ayers, p.  
Du Mont, p.

Game at 3:30 o'clock.

### THESE CHAMPIONS PLAY IN FIRST CLASS FORM

BOSTON ABH P.A. WASHINGTON—ABH P.A.  
Hooper, rf. 3 1 2 1 Judge, lb. 2 2 1  
Barry, 2b. 3 1 2 1 Foster, 3b. 5 1 0 2  
Strunk, cf. 3 1 2 1 Miller, cf. 2 0 2 1  
Ruth, lf. 3 1 2 1 Rice, rf. 4 1 1 0  
McNinnis, lb. 3 1 2 1 Shanks, lf. 4 0 1 0  
Vitt, 3b. 3 1 2 1 Janvryn, 2b. 4 0 1 0  
Scott, ss. 3 1 2 1 Davis, ss. 3 1 0 1  
Schang, c. 3 1 2 1 Pichnich, c. 3 1 0 1  
Walters, c. 3 1 2 1 Agnew, c. 3 1 0 1  
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Du Mont, p. 3 1 2 1 Ayers, p. 3 1 0 1

### BASEBALL BRIEFS FOR YOU

Instead of starting away like a triple peasant winning trouble to the Washingtons, the Griffis have made a most atrocious showing against Jack Coombs' Phillies, supposed before the bell rang to be the weakest team in both major leagues. Now talk is heard of changes coming, especially among the pitchers. Jean Dubuc showed up several of his brother pitchers Friday at Philadelphia, and Jean was all in as an American League performer a couple of years ago. The Griffis are depending upon old age in the infield, a well-balanced outfield, one fine catcher in McCarthy and an in-and-out pitching staff.

The world's champion Boston Red Sox are staying at the Hotel Dewey this spring, where they will entertain their many Washington friends.

Pat Moran's fine start in Cincinnati threatened to bring trouble to the wise old manager, for Redland bugs turn over night when defeat comes.

With Mike Menosky holding down left field, the Griffins may have four southpaw batsmen in the lineup every day, the others being Rice, Milan, and Judge.

The Griffis have neither Lavan nor Shotton, but the Browns still have a winning pitcher in Bert Gallia, who won his first game of the year when he upset the White Sox, giving them but six hits.

After all that spring chatter, Bert Ellison is on the Detroit bench watching "Pop" Young perform at second base. Young is pretty close to being the best fielding second baseman in the country after Eddie Collins and the margin of difference between them is small.

CENTRAL'S RACQUETERS  
READY FOR TOURNAMENT

Central high school tennis players are primed for their annual tournament, which starts today on the courts of the Racquet Club. There are fifty-two entries for the singles event.

Paul Conklin, Ben Price, Ralph Acton and Ralph Fowler are expected to show up well. Price was runner-up in the District Junior event last summer and Fowler won the boys' championship.

### RAPIDS ARE BEATEN.

The Rapid A. C. went down to an 11 to 10 defeat at the hands of the Truxton Juniors yesterday.

## Here's Nick Altrock Entertaining the Big Sunday Throng



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## SCALPERS GET COIN FROM SUNDAY FANS

Though slightly more than 15,000 fans packed and jammed American League Park for the first appearance of the World's Champions for 1919, fully 25,000 would have seen the game, had it been physically possible to enter the enclosure. Just how many gave up in despair and went down town to movies cannot be computed. The Washington club was swamped by the popularity of Sunday baseball in 1919.

Hundreds fought their way to the entrance of the park on Georgia avenue and there purchased tickets from scalpers, paying \$1.25 for grandstand seats and glad of the opportunity. The scalpers were peddling out the pasteboard with more speed than the lads in the ticket booths.

Half an hour before game time all semblance of orderly lines before the ticket windows was lost. The crowd became just a mob, quiet and patient, but still without organization. By 3 o'clock lines of fans curled around the corner of U street and ran back to Ninth street. The police had no trouble, baseball fans generally being most law-abiding.

The game did not start until 3:25, although a misdeed between the playing and the business ends of the club was noticeable. The players took their places in the field and stood there like statues, showing that the start was delayed.

Sunday baseball is an assured success in Washington. Aside from the inability of the club to handle the unexpectedly large crowd, nothing untoward happened. Hundreds of fans found their own seats in the upper tier, appealing in vain to inhabitants of the "pressure box" for assistance. One small boy, wearing an official cap ten sizes too large, was as lively as a cricket, but he was lost on the shuffle. Indeed, he could hardly be seen, owing to his small stature.

A lot of fun was enjoyed by bugs upstairs when a foul ball became "lost." An usher stood right there, but one foot and then on the other, but he got nothing but a razzberry. He appealed to a cop, who came down and stood first on one foot and then the other. He, too, got only a razzberry. Somebody got the ball, but who? That's the question.

If the Griffis had not been so outclassed by the champions, they would have had wonderful support. The bugs applauded even his flies, so anxious were they to shout and forget that awful experience fighting their way to their seats.

### HIGH SCHOOL TITLE IN BASEBALL TO BE FOUGHT

Central, last year's baseball champion, and Western will open the high school championship campaign at Union League park tomorrow afternoon at 3:30. William Handbise will umpire.

Central will probably send Dasher, McKimmie, Wood, Ballenger, Krupp, Cullen, Lemon, Russell, and Mills into the game. Western will depend upon Reed, Graves, Groves, Nordinger, Burke, Claude, Quinn, Dawson, Stevens, Jeffers and Conard.

### OARSMEN TAKE WATER IN WORKOUT FOR POTOMACS

Potomac Boat Club oarsmen got a first class workout yesterday from the club. The eight and quad worked well under the direction of Capt. Walter Thrall.

In the eight were Poole, Hutterly, Ashford, Duncan, Abbott, Ransom, Kluge, and Buckley. Bailey was coxswain. The quad was composed of Don Seigneur, Bryan, Schneider, and Hutterly. Duncan and Don Seigneur worked out in the singles.

### Penny Ante

THE GANG LEAVES

By Jean Knott



## MARYLAND LEARNS SCRAP FATE TODAY

NEW YORK, April 28.—Tex Rickard, fresh from a trip to Cumberland, Md., will await the decision of Governor Harrington, of Maryland, before naming the site of the Willard-Dempsey bout, he let it be known today.

### MIKE O'DOWD MAY RETURN TO THIS COUNTRY JULY 1

Mike O'Dowd, the St. Paul middleweight, claimant of the 138-pound championship, is anxious to return to the United States for a number of ring battles. O'Dowd advised his mother that he expected to be back about July 1. He is attached to the 50th engineers and is stationed at a camp near Paris.

### ZANALOTTI IN FORM.

Zanalotti was in rare form for the Peopos Western Buds. His team won by 10 to 4.

### HERZL LADS TAKE IT.

The Herzl A. C. nine took a 7 to 2 game from the Young Friends on the Monument Lot yesterday afternoon.

### WESTERN CELEBRATES.

Western High School celebrated today in assembly its victory at Philadelphia when the relay team won the class two event.

### LEAGUE STANDINGS

AMERICAN	W	L	Pct.
Boston	2	0	1.000
Chicago	2	0	.833
Philadelphia	1	1	.500
Cleveland	1	1	.500
Washington	1	1	.500
Detroit	1	1	.500
St. Louis	1	1	.500
New York	0	2	.000

### YESTERDAY'S GAMES.

Boston, 5; Washington, 0.  
Chicago, 6; Detroit, 4.  
Cleveland at St. Louis (wet grounds).

### TODAY'S GAMES.

Boston at Washington.  
Chicago at Detroit.  
Philadelphia at New York.  
Cleveland at St. Louis.

### NATIONAL.

	W	L	Pct.
Cincinnati	2	0	1.000
Brooklyn	2	0	.833
Philadelphia	1	1	.500
Pittsburgh	1	1	.500
Chicago	1	1	.500
New York	1	1	.500
St. Louis	0	2	.000

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New York at Boston.  
Pittsburgh at Cincinnati.  
St. Louis at Chicago.

### BAILEY AND DYKE WILL PLAY WITH READING TEAM

PHILADELPHIA, April 28.—Outfielder Gene Bailey and infielder Jimmie Dyke have been sent to Reading in the International League, by Connie Mack.

## LEONARD FAVORITE TO TRIM RITCHIE

NEWARK, April 28.—Penny Leonard, world's lightweight champion, reigns a 4-to-1 favorite over Willie Ritchie, former champion, for their eight-round bout here tonight. Ritchie shaded Leonard in four rounds in San Francisco a few weeks ago, but few fans believe he can repeat in eight rounds. Both men must weigh in at 112 pounds at 3 o'clock. Ritchie has been guaranteed \$10,000 and Leonard is said to be assured of at least \$20,000. Judging from the advance sale, a \$50,000 gate is expected tonight.

### WASHINGTON ASSOCIATION STAGES TOURNEY TONIGHT

The Washington Duckpin Association stages its annual duckpin tournament tonight at the Grand Central. Seventy-two pairs are entered in the doubles event and forty-eight teams will roll in the competition. In the singles there are ninety-six entrants.

### NAVY YARD LEAGUE GETS GOING AT LEAGUE PARK

The Navy Yard gets under way at Union League Park today. Captain Willard commanded of the yard, will toss out the first ball. Union League Park has been renovated, the diamond is in first-class shape, and the crowd is to be well taken care of.

### NEW ZEALAND CREW WINS BIG RACE FROM AMERICA

PARIS, April 28.—The New Zealand crew won the international service rowing championship of the world, defeating five competing crews. The American crew was second and France third.

### MAY POSTPONE EVENT.

There is talk of postponing the Middle Atlantic Golf Association tournament scheduled to be held at Columbia Club the first week in June. The course is not expected to be ready for tournament play until later in the month.

## BIG WEEK AHEAD HERE OPENS UP ALL SPORTS

This is Washington's big week in athletics. Tomorrow the annual High School championship baseball games start with Central and Western opening up at Union League Park. Technical, Western, and Episcopal are scheduled to appear on the cinders at Alexandria in a triangular track meet. Saturday Georgetown entertains Johns Hopkins runners in a dual meet on Georgetown Field.

On Thursday the annual Middle Atlantic Golf tournament season will be inaugurated at the Washington Golf and Country Club with the invitation golf tournament. Today the Navy Yard League will open in full blast at Union League Park when Captain Willard tosses out the first ball for the Cliffores-Marines contest.

Wednesday the annual freshman High School baseball games start, while on the same day the High Schools will send their second teams into action against each other. Saturday morning Central and Western formally open up the annual tennis championship schedule.

Saturday the Government League will get into operation with a formal start on the White Lot ellipse. Next week the Departmental League will start things going, so that within the week practically every branch of spring sports will be heard from in the Capital.

In addition to the golf, baseball, and track meets the colleges have a number of attractive games slated. Saturday Georgetown will play North Carolina State at the Hilltop.

Thursday the Maryland State College team meets North Carolina State College at College Park. Lehigh, with Dave Pfeiffer, former Tech High captain, pitching, will be played by the College Park men. On Saturday State will engage the St. John's College team at Annapolis, in the Maryland State title contest.

Saturday Lehigh will move over to Brookland to play the Catholic University team. Gallaudet College is down for a game in Baltimore with the Baltimore Polytechnic Institute team on Saturday.

One of the big contests in scholastic circles is scheduled on Friday when Eastern meets Tech. Saturday Central High School plays the Baltimore City College nine here.

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Cliffores, which won the title last season with Tom Crooke at the helm, will play the Navy and Marines. James Y. Hughes will umpire the game.

### REX CLUBMEN FAIL IN TEST AGAINST FLAHERTY

Big Ed Flaherty, who pitched for Sam Brock's Baltimore Shipyard team here yesterday, was too clever for the Rex Athletic Club. The Baltimore men found Rex easy picking and won an 11-to-1 game.

Vernstein and Owen were clouted freely by the Baltimore lads, who got thirteen safeties, all told.

### Big League Biffers Yesterday

	AB	H	Tb	Ave
Albin Smith, Tigers	1	1	1	1.000
Schultz, White Sox	4	1	3	.250
Peck, Cubs	4	1	3	.250
Judge, Griffs	3	2	3	.667
Rariden, Reds	4	2	3	.500
Daubert, Reds	4	2	3	.500
Young, Tigers	4	2	3	.500
Stanage, Tigers	4	2	3	.500
Gandill, White Sox	5	3	3	.600

## HOPKINS TO STAGE SCHOOLBOY GAMES

Washington schoolboy track teams will be invited to participate in the first annual field and track meet of the Maryland Scholastic Athletic Association, which will be held in Baltimore on May 30 under the auspices of the Johns Hopkins University.

B. R. Murphy, athletic director at Johns Hopkins, is especially anxious to have Washington schools entered. It is expected that the Maryland and District of Columbia schools will be asked to join an athletic conference to form an association similar to the collegiate association, which controls field and track meets for the South Atlantic colleges.

Athletic Director Murphy is sponsor for the present Maryland Scholastic Athletic Association, which is in the process of being formed. It is pointed out that all of the schools will be invited to attend a big meeting which will take place after the track meet.

At that time the advantages and benefits of the Maryland association will be taken up. The various schools will be asked to join to strengthen interschool baseball, football, basketball and track meets. Each school will have its own eligibility rules, as is at present the case with the S. A. A. colleges. If possible leagues will be formed for Baltimore teams as is the case in this city, and intercity titles will be played for in the various sports.

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